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PROCESS AND DEVICE FOR AIDING THE DRIVING OF A VEHICLE

RUNNING OVER THE GROUND

REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

With respect to the Information Disclosure Statement filed July 9, 2003, the Examiner returned a copy of the PTO-1449 in which all references except the Middleton, et al. AIAA article were initialed. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the previously supplied Form PTO-1449 indicating consideration of the Middleton, et al. article; for the convenience of the Examiner, a copy of that Form PTO-1449 is attached, as well as a copy of the IDS and PTO date-stamped filing receipt. The Middleton, et al. document is contained in public PAIR for this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Pursuant to Rules 56 and 99, Applicants hereby call the attention of the Patent Office to the reference(s) listed on the attached Form PTO 1449. All of these references except US '437 and GB '475 was were cited in a Search Report dated April 16, 2003 (copy attached). US '437 is discussed in the present application at page 2, line 4 et seq. and GB '475 is discussed in the present application at page 1, line 34 et seq.

Applicants present this art so that the Patent Office may, in the first instance, determine any relevancy thereof to the presently claimed invention, see Beckman Instruments, Inc. v. Chemtronics, Inc., 439 F.2d 1369, 1380, 165 USPQ 355, 364 (5th Cir. 1970). Also see Patent Office Rules 104 and 106. Applicants respectfully request that this art be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application and made of record herein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue herefrom.

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